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A SELF-COMPENSATING MARK DESIGN FOR STEPPER ALIGNMENT

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# REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)



I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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